

ABSTRACT

PROCESS FOR RECOVERING RHODIUM CATALYST

A process for recovery rhodium from a solution of rhodium and tar produced in the carbonylation of methanol, methyl acetate dimethyl ester and/or reactive derivatives thereof involves extraction with a combination of water, methyl iodide and methyl acetate in which methyl acetate is at least 20% of the methyl iodide plus methyl acetate.

Sole Figure